Appl. No. 09/844,287 Amdt. dated April 29, 2005 Reply to Office Action of 03/11/05

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 11, 2005, in which the Examiner declared claims 1-23 subject to a restriction and/or election requirement. Claim 1 is generic. Claims 2-5 are directed to a distinct species of the invention of claim 1. Claims 8-14, which depend from generic claim 7, which depends from claim 1, are directed to a distinct species of the invention of claim 1. Claims 16 and 17 are directed to a distinct species of the invention of claim 1. Claims 19 and 21 are directed to a distinct species of the invention of claim 1. Claims 22 and 23 are directed to a distinct species of the invention of claim 1.

The Applicant elects, without traverse, to prosecute the group consisting of claims 1 and 7-14.

CONCLUSION

The Applicant respectfully submits that the foregoing is fully response to the current Office Action. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 858-350-6100.

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